

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) A window assembly comprising:  
a window with an opening; and  
a flange attached to a lower region of the window, an upper surface of the flange being substantially parallel to a bottom edge of the opening, the upper surface of the flange having a central region and outer regions at a higher elevation relative to the bottom edge of the opening, and the upper surface of the flange having a, the central region being at an equal or higher elevation relative to the bottom edge of the opening along its entire width to prevent contact between cargo extending through the opening and the bottom edge of the opening, and the outer regions being at a higher elevation relative to the central region for urging the cargo towards the central region of the flange.
2. (Canceled)
3. (Previously presented) The window assembly of claim 1, wherein the upper surface of the central region is at substantially the same elevation as the bottom edge of the opening.
4. (Original) The window assembly of claim 1, wherein the flange is longer than the bottom of the opening.
5. (Original) The window assembly of claim 1, wherein the flange has a substantially L-shaped cross section.
6. (Canceled)

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7. (Original) The window assembly of claim 1, wherein the flange is attached to the inside of the window.

8. (Canceled)

9. (Original) The window assembly of claim 1, wherein the flange is metal.

10. (Original) The window assembly of claim 1, wherein the flange is plastic.

11. (Canceled)

12. (Original) The window assembly of claim 1, wherein the flange is attached to the window with an adhesive.

13. (Canceled)

14. (New) The window assembly of claim 1, wherein the flange is attached to an exterior lower region of the window.

15. (New) A window assembly for a rear vehicle window comprising:  
a window with an opening; and  
a flange attached to a lower region of the window and being substantially a same length as the bottom edge of the opening, an upper surface of the flange being substantially parallel to the bottom edge of the opening and being at an elevation higher relative to the bottom edge of the opening to prevent contact between cargo extending through the opening and the bottom edge of the opening.

16. (New) A window assembly for a rear vehicle window comprising:

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a rear backglass;  
a window opening in the rear backglass;  
a slideable window pane within the opening for gaining access through the rear backglass;  
a flange attached to a lower region of the window and being substantially a same length as a bottom edge of the opening, the flange having an upper surface being substantially parallel to a bottom edge of the window opening and being at an elevation higher relative to the bottom edge of the opening to prevent contact between cargo extending through the opening and the bottom edge of the opening.

17. (New) The window assembly of claim 16 wherein said flange is attached to an interior lower region of the window.

18. (New) The window assembly of claim 16 wherein said flange is attached to an exterior lower region of the window.

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